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MICROSPHERES WITH A  
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**SUBMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This submission accompanies the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith and includes an Information Disclosure Statement made in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider this Information Disclosure Statement and the remarks set forth below.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.